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## LETTERS

### Breach Of Security

To The Editor:

In the June 16th issue of Look magazine there is an article revealing the presence and location of a CIA agency in this area. Whether this be fact or not, I'm sure I speak for every American when I say it's sad enough to think that our adversaries know our every move, without serving it to them on a silver platter!

CAROL OWEN, Miami

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To The Editor:

For the sake of discussion let us assume that there is a CIA office here in Miami. Does Look magazine consider their disclosing it a "big scoop?" Are we not, as Americans, permitted to have Central Intelligence Agencies wherever we may need them? Look magazine along with another four lettered magazine will never be read by me. Their articles, editorials and photos do not, in my opinion, contribute anything to the security of the U.S. They doubtlessly will continue to have many subscribers, but being fortunate enough to live in a country that is still free, I am still able to present my views, loud and clear.

LILLIAN GRONSUND, Miami

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# CIA Has U-M Office, Magazine Claims

Look magazine reported today that the CIA has operated an office on the University of Miami South Campus under the guise of an electronics research firm.

The Look article "comes as a complete surprise to me," said Dr. Henry King Stanford, U-M president.

And the head of the firm in the building named by the magazine as the Central Intelligence Agency address said, "I don't know what they are talking about."

The article in question, called "CIA, the Invisible Government," was written by David Wise and Thomas B. Ross. It said that the CIA was operating as the Zenith Technical Enterprises Inc., at Building 25 on the U-M South Campus near Perrine.

The CIA has operated in Miami under at least three other commercial cover names — the Double-Check Corp., the Gibraltar Steamship Corp. and the Vanguard Service Corp., the Look article stated.

The Miami telephone directory lists the same number for Gibraltar Service and Vanguard Service. The number was not answered yesterday. There was no listing for Double-Check.

The magazine said further that the CIA operates a two-way service with universities — it secretly finances research programs at some universities and the colleges in turn help to recruit CIA personnel.

Dr. Stanford said he would be interested in reading the article. The Zenith firm rents a building at the University, he said,

and to the best of his knowledge is involved in secret government research.

If it has any connection with espionage he is not aware of it and the Look statements

come as a surprise, Stanford said. The University neither receives grants from the CIA nor recruits any of its graduates for the agency, he added.

H. Robert Graham, who said

he had been manager and controller of Zenith Enterprises since it came to Miami in 1961, denied that it was a CIA cover.

He didn't know what the magazine writers were talking about, he said, because his firm is subcontractor for a prime contractor doing electronics research for the Defense Department.

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### The Taboo Span

The time span on taboo subjects is narrowing — a matter of considerable concern to us here at *The Nation*. Time was when on most forbidden subjects we had a comfortable lead, often as long as a decade and a half. The only disadvantage to being so far out in front was that by the time the taboo disintegrated, even our readers had forgotten that we first tagged the subject.

The draft is one instance of relatively speedy taboo decay. We began attacking it as far back as January 10, 1959, when John C. Esty's "Dilemma of the College Student: Draft Dodger or Patriot?" appeared. The swing-around is now nearly complete. In another case it is only beginning. On December 5, 1959, we ran Sir Compton Mackenzie's article taking a poke at the intelligence industry, "Parasites with Cloaks and Daggers: The Spy Circus." More specifically, with Fred Cook's piece on the CIA (June 24, 1961) we again had a temporary monopoly but, in accordance with classical economic theory, it did not last. Some time back murmurings of protest became audible, and now criticism of the CIA has swelled to a chorus. A forthcoming book by David Wise and Thomas B. Ross, *CIA: The Invisible Government* (Random House), is an indication of how the time span is narrowing.

A section of the Wise-Ross book is featured in the June 16 issue of *Look*. "There are two governments in the United States today — one visible, the other invisible," it begins. The invisible government, with the CIA at its heart, "gathers intelligence, conducts espionage and plans and executes secret operations all over the globe." Old stuff that, but the situation is even worse than it appeared, and that was bad enough. Trusting citizens assumed that at least the Invisible Government was under the control of the National Security Council. Not at all. Most decisions are made by a small directorate known as "the Special Group." The Vice President does not belong to this select body, and during the first hour of his first full day as President, Mr. Johnson was conducted by McGeorge Bundy to the Situation Room deep in the bowels of the White House. There, surrounded by top-secret maps and electronic machinery, Mr. Johnson was briefed by John A. McCone, Director of the CIA. This was his real accession to the powers of the Presidency.

Today in Congress one hears a rising criticism of the CIA. For the moment it may not amount to much as far as the agency's world-wide machinations are concerned, but at least some of the truth about this detestable incubus is at last reaching a larger public. One facet that enterprising and courageous Congressmen might well explore is the CIA's domestic operations. Although intelligence matters within the United States are supposed to be handled by the FBI, the CIA has offices in twenty cities around the country. It has relations with universities, research institutes, publishing houses, foundations, certain so-called "cultural committees," certain *émigré* committees. It is high time that a committee of the Congress looked into some of these activities. Specifically, who finances the *émigré* groups, particularly those that get out expensive slick-paper magazines and publicity material? And what about those foundations that refuse to give even an indication of the activities they subsidize? There is no end of headline-making material in this area for any Congressional committee willing to serve a few subpoenas. Since the CIA is no longer sacrosanct, why not take a look?



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## 'The Invisible Government'

Attempts by certain men in government in Washington to manage the news are not new. The management of news has been tried by many in a number of administrations. It is always a cause for deep concern.

Of late this attempt by some in government to control what is printed and said has reached a new and dangerous level.

Later this month a book dealing with the secret intelligence operations of the U.S. government will be published. The book is titled "The Invisible Government." The authors are Thomas B. Ross of the Washington Bureau of The Sun-Times and David Wise of the New York Herald Tribune. Both authors are newsmen of high repute and unquestioned patriotism.

A strong effort to alter or wholly suppress this book has been made by agents or representatives of the Central Intelligence Agency.

The efforts have been many and varied. CIA officials have "leaked" stories to favored newsmen alleging that the book is full of errors of fact. The CIA does not give proof of this charge.

Random House, publishers of the book, has been approached and pressured by CIA spokesmen to alter the text of the book or to stop its publication.

Look magazine, which printed an excerpt from the book last week, was approached for the same purpose.

The CIA has gone so far as to try to buy up the entire first printing of the book (using taxpayers' money) so the public would never see the book.

The CIA has alleged that the authors exposed current intelligence operations and the names of agents and thus destroyed the usefulness of both the operations and agents.

Both charges are untrue. The operations mentioned are past history. The agents mentioned have all been previously identified publicly.

The efforts made by the CIA to discredit or suppress this book are both contemptible and frightening. There must be a reason for such bold attempts to abridge the rights of the free press. There is such a reason so far as the CIA is concerned.

The CIA is a quasi-military, autonomous intelligence operation. It does not answer to Congress as do other government agencies. It does not make an accounting of its expenditures of taxpayers' money as do other government agencies. As the authors of "The Invisible Government" point out, the CIA is, in effect, an independent government of itself, unrestricted and unchecked by the laws and customs of constitutional government.

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Congress has been wrong in allowing this agency to achieve this status and nothing better illustrates this error than the efforts made by the CIA to suppress this soon-to-be-published book.

We call upon President Johnson and the Congress to put an immediate stop to this bold attempt to circumvent the directive of the First Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. The First Amendment guarantees the right of the people of the United States to know, to be informed, about their government. We object strongly to the high-handed tactics of the CIA to manage or control the free press of the United States.

We object, with equal vigor, to the autonomy that has become a hallmark of the U.S. intelligence service. Every agency of a free government must answer to the people it serves. If all agencies do not then the "invisible government" that now seeks to control the free press will become, in actuality, the government under which we live. That cannot be allowed to happen.

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